

November 2023 - School Council Minutes

NEXT MEETING DATE December 13th at 6:00

Attendees - Brent, Jody, Stephanie, Densie, Menora, Annie, Kelly, Lindsay, Casey, Sorchia, Michele, Michelle, Holly

Principal's Report

Parent Teacher Interviews - Nov. 23, and Nov. 24th if you need help scheduling an appointment phone the school

Dental Screening - Info was sent out to families last week

Flouride Treatment - An email was sent out to families and it's new to the school

Progress Reports - Digital Copies were sent out.

Cell Phones - **BIG CHANGE** - Cell Phones are a distraction and they are causing problems. If your child brings a cell phone to school it will stay out of their classroom. This will probably start in January.

Remembrance Day Assembly - Was a touching ceremony and the students did a wonderful job. Everyone was quiet and respectful.

Sledge Hockey /Wheelchair - This was a huge success and the students really loved it. It's a program that celebrates people with disabilities. The school paid \$1000 to subsidize it and it was poorly attended. Around 60% of students in grades 6-8 attended. Disappointed on the amount of students who participated. The trip should have costed around \$15 and families were only charged \$7. It's a lot of work organizing field trips and the low attendance could jeopardize future field trips.

Literacy - Teachers are furthering their learning of literacy and best practices. We now have a tool for junior grades so it's consistent.

Treasurer Report

Pizza Sales- We're making around \$100 per week on day of sales. The end of December is the last of day of sale orders. If anyone can help out / volunteer on Fridays for pizza we would appreciate it. Please email the school council email.

Additional Food Vendors and Fundraising - Cookie Sales - December 15th - Quest for Cakes - This is a trial run. It will include chocolate chip, brownie, oatmeal raisin and gluten free. They'll be sold for \$1.50 each. We would like to have it once per month on a Friday. This counts towards our 10 days of treat food days.

Boston Pizza - They're servicing 11 schools currently. We would do it on a Wednesday. We would make 12% of the total order. We would like to start this in January but we need volunteers. Kelly and Casey are available to volunteer and take this initiative on.

Fundraising Options

Fundscrip- You can buy gift cards to hundreds of places. Schools get 2-4% in return. This would be great for Christmas gifts but not sure if this fundraiser is doable in a short time period.

Krispy Creme - You need to book 1 year in advance. Jody looked into it and they are fully booked.

Flip Give - Annie will look into this. Jody has set this up for hockey teams and it's easy. Flip Give stops at a certain amount.

Farm Fresh - Casey suggested to look into this. A vegetable bundle is \$22 and the apple Bundle is \$24.

Poinsettias - Next year possibly for Christmas

Emily Press Labels - Kelly researched this. You would be given a unique code and families purchase online. We would earn 20% back in return.

10 and 10 - You purchase a voucher for a hanging basket. Denise will look into this.

Fundraising - Where The Money is Going From Each Fundraiser (the first number is the amount of money wanted/needed - In Order of Purchasing

1. Pizza \$4800 is paying for Family Transition Place
 2. Forest of Reading - \$1800 - Winter Wonderland money will go towards this
 3. Grade 8 Grad - \$500 - Cookies and pizza
 4. Scientists in the School - \$1000 - Boston Pizza
 5. DPA Equipment - \$1000 - Meet the Teacher Night and pizza - We made \$584 at this event
- Zumba - \$600 - pizza
 - Travel Wood Kit - \$400 - \$500
 - Disk Golf
- leftover money will go towards technology

Winter Wonderland - We're basically ready to go. Everything is done. If you want to volunteer please email school council.

Spirit Wear - Dec. 15th is the last day to order to have it for Christmas. Examples of shirts and sizes will be available at Winter Wonderland. You can purchase spirit wear all year long from Town Tees.

School Councill Bulletin Board - Casey will take on this task. Maybe we can include upcoming events, next meeting date, initiatives, Michelle suggested instead of a bulletin board use the window above the piano.